

# SUMMARY

## Cherokee County Board of Commissioners

JULY 19, 2011

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 P.M.

### CALL TO ORDER

### CHAIRMAN

Chairman called at 6:10 p.m.; present including the Chairman was Commissioner Harry Johnston and Commissioner Jason Nelms. Vice Chair/Commissioner Hubbard is out-of-town, as is Commissioner Bosch this week.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*"Veterans of U.S. military service may proudly salute the flag while not in uniform based on a change in the governing law on 25 July 2007"*

### PRESENTATION

*Sheriff Roger Garrison will recognize the Cherokee County Marshal's Office for obtaining State Re-Certification and present a plaque awarded by the Georgia Association Chiefs of Police*

Sheriff Garrison presented the first plaque to Chief Marshal Ray Waters telling the audience there are only two Marshal's Offices in the State to have received certification. A plaque was also presented to the Marshal's Office Certification Manager, Jo-Ann Faverey, for her hard work and determination to achieve re-certification for the office.

### AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

Three amendments: (1) Under County Manager - add 2011 ERIP Budget Amendment; (2) Under Chairman – add Update on Transportation Investment Act of 2011 (H.B. 277) Regional Transportation Tax referendum and progression of Cherokee's submitted project list; (3) Under Chairman – add mention of additional need for appointment to replace Terry Green on Board of Ethics and mention appointment to LAPA to replace John Hicks.

Johnston motion to approve; Nelms second; approved 3-0.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) *The Cherokee County Board of Commissioners congratulates Cherokee Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management Deputy Director Renee Cornelison for obtaining the Certified Emergency Managers® (CEM®) credential. Deputy Director Cornelison's approval for this designation makes Cherokee*

County the only emergency management program in Georgia with both the Director and Deputy Director holding the CEM® credential.

(2) Congratulations to the Twin Creeks Express for bringing home the Georgia ASA 8 & Under All Stars State Championship held July 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> at Central Park in Forsyth County. The Express went undefeated throughout the tournament winning the Championship Game 18-3! This is the seventh state championship for Cherokee Youth Softball teams in seven years of softball @ Twin Creeks Softball Complex. The Twin Creeks Twins were State Runner-Ups in the 12 & Under division.

CRPA also hosted the Georgia Recreation & Parks Association state tournament on July 7-9 @ Twin Creeks for the 10 & Under and 12 & Under divisions. The Twin Creeks Thunder were State Runner-Ups in the 10 & Under division at this tournament.

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### **APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION MINUTES FROM JULY 5, 2011**

Nelms motion to approve; Johnston second; approved 3-0.

### **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 5, 2011**

Johnston motion to approve; Nelms second; approved 3-0.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

(1) SECOND PUBLIC HEARING re 2011 Millage Rate

Johnston motion to open at 6:19 p.m.; Nelms second; approved 3-0. Mr. Cooper went over his presentation. No speakers for or against. Johnston motion to close at 6:36 p.m.; Nelms second; approved 3-0. No action taken.

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### **ZONING SUMMARY**

At the July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011 meeting the Planning Commission reviewed the following items:

**CASE NUMBER** : 11-07-010  
**APPLICANT** : Tribble Alley, LLC

**ZONING CHANGE** : R-60 to AG  
**LOCATION** : Holbrook Campground Road  
**MAP & PARCEL NUMBER** : 03N30, 099  
**ACRES** : 23 +/-  
**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT** : Rural Residential  
**COMMISSION DISTRICT** : Post 1  
**FUTURE DEVELOPMENT MAP** : Suburban Growth

**PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:** Approval

Mr. Watkins went over case. Johnston motion to approve as requested to AG (Agricultural) zoning with one condition of "No swine and no poultry beyond those allowed in residential zoning." Nelms second and approved 3-0.

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## **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

### **CHAIRMAN**

**L. B. AHRENS**

- (A) *Appointment to fill unexpired term of Becky Brown, on Board of Ethics, who resigned effective March 21, 2011, as she was moving out of state. Mrs. Brown was the Democratic appointment. Recommending Mark Webb to serve until the end of this term, which is January, 2016. This is a Board appointment and the term is 7 years.*

Chair motion to appoint Mark Webb; Johnston second; approved 3-0.

**AMENDMENT 2.** Update on Transportation Investment Act of 2011 (H.B. 277) Regional Transportation Tax referendum and progression of Cherokee's submitted project lists.

**AMENDMENT 3.** Mention of need for additional appointment to replace Terry Green on Board of Ethics and Mention appointment to LAPA to replace John Hicks.

- (B) *Follow-up on recommendations from Mr. Cooper for One-time Voluntary Incentivized Retirement Plan*

Chair stated as two board members were absent, would rather wait until all board members are present. So will postpone until August 2.

### **COMMISSION POST 1**

**HARRY B. JOHNSTON**

### **VICE CHAIR/COMMISSION POST 2**

**JIM HUBBARD**

**COMMISSION POST 3**

**KAREN BOSCH**

**COMMISSION POST 4**

**JASON NELMS**

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consider approval of Resolutions and agreement with the Georgia Department of Natural Resources for reimbursement from the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund for mitigation work at the Blalock Road Landfill site in the amounts of \$17,455.08 and \$24,030.00 for a total of \$41,485.08
2. Acceptance of rights-of-way, roadways and appurtenant drainage structures for maintenance in **Woodmont Unit 7B** subdivision including but not limited to: Glencedars Lane

Johnston motion to approve; Nelms second; approved 3-0.

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**COUNTY MANAGER**

**AMENDMENT 1.**

Approve Budget Amendment to transfer portion of budget from salaries to ERIP expense.

Johnston motion to approve; Nelms second; approved 3-0.

3. Requesting approval to enter into Professional Services Agreement (PSA) with Georgia Tax and Regulatory Solutions, LLC (GTRS) for a potential revenue opportunity relating to billboards and telecommunications facilities (cell tower sites)

Johnston motion to approve; Nelms second; approved 3-0.

4. Approval to award Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to American Environment & Infrastructure, Inc.(AMEC E&I) formerly MACTEC Engineering and Consulting, Inc. for the most responsive bid proposal to provide master planning, design & engineering, and bid/award and construction administration services for park improvement projects for the cities of Nelson, Ball Ground and Waleska, and the County's Waleska Park for \$75,646. and additional \$25,000.00 in contingency for expected supplementary meetings for a total of \$100,646.00 (Park Bond Funds)

Nelms motion to approve; Johnston second; approved 3-0.

5. Approval of CDBG 2011 Amended Annual Action Plan

Johnston motion to approve; Nelms second; approved 3-0.

6. Requesting approval of budget amendment/transfer of funds to increase revenues and expenses to account for adding CCYB (Cherokee County Youth Basketball) to the athletic program for CRPA

Nelms motion to approve; Johnston second; approved 3-0.

7. Approval of an increase to the contingency account for the Hobgood Park Improvements and Additions construction project in the amount of \$50,000.

Nelms motion to approve; Johnston second; approved 3-0.

8. Approval of change order to the PSA (Professional Services Agreement) with Cooper Carry for additional services and compensation in the total amount of \$43,000. for Aquatic Center

Johnston motion to approve; Nelms second; approved 3-0.

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**COUNTY ATTORNEY**

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**ADJOURN**

Johnston motion to adjourn at 7:05 p.m.; Nelms second; approved 3-0.